GILPIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2018

The Gilpin County Planning Commission convened at the Gilpin County Courthouse, 203 Eureka Street; Central City, Colorado

Call to Order: Chair Laura Jeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Quorum Call:

- Present: Chair Laura Jeney, Chair Pro-Tem Jim Wailes, Bob Haxel, Jane Billings, Sharon Perea, Joe Marr, Rob Mercier, Andrea Wrobel and Roxy Goss
- Absent: none
- Staff Present: Tami Archer, Secretary; Daniel Horn, County Planner; Stephen Strohminger, Community Development Director

Agenda Review: Commissioner Marr moved to approve the agenda as presented, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Goss. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: The minutes from the May 8, 2018 meeting were discussed. Commissioner Goss moved to approve the minutes as presented, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Perea. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A. Defensible Space

Chair Jeney recapped the email poll conducted after the May 8, 2018 meeting. At the May 8th meeting, Commissioner Marr moved to recommend to the BoCC to require new construction to comply with Zone 1 standards, utilizing Section 3.15 of the Gilpin County Zoning Regulations, to distribute literature on Zone 2 and 3, to add porches and decks to habitable space, and to add clarification on access standards, and was seconded by Commissioner Haxel. The email poll resulted in a decision to deny the motion. A motion to reconsider at our next PC meeting Zoning Regulation 3.15 Wildfire Regulations was made by Commissioner Haxel, and seconded by Commissioner Billings, both via email. The motion passed by a vote of three for and one against, again via email.

The commission briefly discussed Robert's Rules of Order.

The Colorado State Forest Service Quick Guide Series Fire 2012-1 was discussed. Chair Jeney noted that these were not standards or requirements, and therefore they cannot be enforced. It's easier to implement rules in our Zoning Code. She noted other counties include this in either zoning regulations or development standards. A suggestion was made that a checklist be developed that accompanies building permit application forms that is not tied to the Forest Service guidelines. Discussion ensued as to the development of the proposed checklist.

Staff was directed to create the checklist based on the points discussed, and to bring that and proposed zoning regulation language to the next meeting.

New Business:

A. None

Public Comment: None

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Staff Updates:

Director Strohminger noted that a Stage 1 Fire Ban was implemented, and that details are on the Sheriff Department's website.

Planner Horn provided an update on the marijuana cultivation licensing. He noted that Colorado Gold withdrew their application due to what they felt were insurmountable issues with the water district in mid-county. Rocky Mountain Organics has 30 days left to submit their application.

Director Strohminger provided an update on the enforcement action for Pewabic Mountain. He noted the complaint is being prepared and hopefully a court date will be set soon. Additional discussion ensued regarding camping on vacant lots and RV parks.

Commissioner Wrobel noted that Erin Tripp is exploring the possibility of bringing visitors to the fen wetland by the library. The possibility of a conservation easement for the wetland was discussed.

Adjourn: Commissioner Marr moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m., and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Perea. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Azevedo Jeney

Chair